UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

RICHARD POWERS,)
Plaintiff	
V.) Civil Action No. 04-12418 DPW
UNUM LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA, UNUMPROVIDENT CORPORA- TION and ZIZIK, LaSALLE & POWERS, P.C. GROUP LONG TERM DISABILITY PLAN,))))))))
Defendants)

DEFENDANTS' CERTIFICATION OF CONFERENCE

The undersigned certify that they have conferred:

- with a view to establishing a budget for the costs of conducting the full (a) course--and various alternative courses--for the litigation; and
- (b) to consider the resolution of the litigation through the use of alternative dispute resolution programs such as those outlined in LR 16.4.

Dated: March 30, 2005

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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